

RUSS REPORTED TO HAVE BROKEN OFF PEACE PARLEYS GERMANS DESTROY FACTORIES TO FORCE PEACE SABOTAGE SPREADS TO HUN EMPIRE; ARREST SOCIALISTS

Tired of War, Radical Element Has Begun to
Cripple Munition Supply

FIRES ARE WITHOUT LOSS OF LIFE

Residents of Interior Becoming Alarmed Because
of Allied Air Raids

Incendiary Fires
Plant Working on
Government Orders

(International News Service.)

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 2.—Fire today almost completely destroyed three departments of the Harrisburg Pipe & Pipe Vending Co., which is working on government stores. Officials believe the fire was of incendiary origin.

HOOVER APPEARS
BEFORE PROBERS

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 2.—"Imaginative alarm" is a big factor in the winning of the war, Herbert Hoover declared today in testifying before the senate sub-committee investigating the sugar shortage.

Hoover told the senate that he had made "sensational statements" with the purpose of awakening the American people to the need of conserving foodstuff.

NO SERVICES TONIGHT AT
THE CENTRAL BAPTIST.

On account of the inclemency of the weather there will be no services tonight at the Central Baptist church.

Black Face Carnival Will be
Presented at Masonic Tonight

Local Talent to Give Minstrel For Benefit of Albany
Home Guard

With everything "set," the curtain will rise at 8 o'clock tonight at the Masonic theatre on the Black Face Carnival to be given for the benefit of the Albany Home Guards. The final rehearsal was held last night at the Y. M. C. A., and Secretary Thompson and two or three other visitors who were allowed to sit in, gave the show, as a whole their unqualified endorsement and predicted that it would be considerably more than a success.

Included in the cast are many of the sweet singers of the Twin Cities. The soloists—B. B. Pickens, W. R. Shelton, Wm. Owens, Robt. T. Shepard, Herman Troup—are backed by a chorus of forty voices. And it is "some chorus." When "going over the top" after "It's a Long Way to Berlin—But We'll Get There," the chorus equals anything ever coraled by Al G. Fields. The jazz band, headed by W. W. Rahn and composed of seven instruments, will occupy the orchestra pit and was strengthened last night by the appearance of Miss Alice Hatton as second violinist. The comedy work has been entrusted to John Green, Billy Steed, Thos. Hat-

ton and Dockstader McKenna, the end men, with Wm. Tennyson, a professional player, as interlocutor. Some of the jokes are quite local and are certain to get considerably more than a mere hand. "Parson" Green is heavy on the dialect parts, while Billy Steed is running him close for honors.

Shelton's Farewell Tour. W. R. Shelton is billed to appear with J. A. Buttrey in double song and dance. This is Mr. Shelton's "farewell tour," and he has given a positive guarantee not to do it again. He will also sing the solo role in "Old Black Joe." Mr. Buttrey also does a musical turn, playing on four instruments and the bottles.

Hunter, the basso in "that quartet" is not well known to the local musical public and his appearance is going to prove one of the pleasing surprises. He possesses a melodious bass voice that simply jars the rafters.

A syncopated buck and wing dance by McKenna, a reading by Miss Fannie Johnson, an olio in which the thermometer rises to 100—these are but a few of the many other features of the bill.

AMERICAN AMBULANCE UNIT TAKEN OVER BY ARMY.



This photograph shows the Norton-Harjes ambulance unit, one of the first American contingents to see service in France. It has just been taken over by the American army under General Pershing. The unit performed heroic work in aiding the wounded, and many of its members were awarded the Croix de Guerre for their bravery.

Mr. J. L. Wagner "Kicks in" On Morgan County Boys' Tobacco Fund

The 1918 Morgan County Boys' Tobacco Fund, opened with the new year by the Daily, received a boost today from J. L. Wagner, the well known Albany photographer, who mailed a check for \$100.

Mr. Wagner wrote as follows:

Enclosed find my check for

\$100 to be added on the Morgan

County Boys' Tobacco Fund.

I hope some of the "boys" will

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ATTEND THE MINSTREL AND AID HOME GUARDS.

Aside from its merit as an enjoyable entertainment, the black-face carnival to be given tonight at the Masonic theatre is worthy of patronage from the purely patriotic standpoint. The net proceeds will be used for the purchase of rifles for equipping the Albany Home Guards, a volunteer organization that is at present unable to render the efficient service that it is capable of because of a lack of firearms. The federal government does not provide weapons for semi-military organizations of this kind. It could be too much to expect the men to give their services, as they have or means, and then pay for the equipment which they must of necessity use. The liberal thing is to walk up to the box office of the theatre tonight, plank down the admission price and go in and get value received a couple of ways.

McADOO LISTED WITH NATION'S "STRONG MEN."

"Well," replied Uncle Dan, deliberately, "the German schools are very thorough; they furnish exceedingly valuable and practical instruction. The industrial training given there is probably the best to be found. The schools as a whole, however, in my opinion, appeal to the head only, and never to the heart. The aim and trend is to make the individual blindly submissive to the Prussian plan of world dominion; they teach that it is the destiny of Germany to rule the world, and that to the glory and advance of Germany, in this plan, all things must give way; that the Kaiser as head of the state, can do no wrong if he carries forward the plan of world control. Some of the greatest teachers and preachers even defend and justify her heartless crushing of Belgians and the many other atrocious crimes she has committed in this war. Thank God, our American education reaches both the head and the heart. It is an education with a soul, and we must maintain the high ideals we have fixed. In a word, in Germany, the people are taught that they exist for the government, while here the government exists to serve the people."

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"The Greeks, who were the first to defend justice and liberty, understand thoroughly and greatly admire the magnitude of the ideals for which the United States entered so boldly this terrible war."

Imbued by the same ideals, the Greeks will fight to help to secure their realization. They will do so with much more determination, as they expect to contribute to free millions of their brothers actually wild persecuted by their hereditary enemies."

President Menocal, of Cuba, said this message:

"Never in universal history have the nations been bound together by such noble and magnanimous ties as is the case in the titanic struggle of almost all the countries of the world, great and small, against the central empires of Europe. No selfish ends and motives may be alleged against the holy crusade for liberty and justice, because there are no such ends and motives which can be held in common by so many and such different nationalities, in so many and in such distant parts of the globe. The superhuman and irresistible force of a divine impulse unites them and harmonizes the forces and impulses of the great principles of justice and of humanity to bring peace to modern civilization."

President Valdes, of Panama, said: "The republic of Panama views with calm satisfaction the future of the world in this hour of history when the destinies of the great modern community are at stake. This calm satisfaction rests upon the sentiments of loyalty and decision which impelled it at the first moment to embrace the cause of American democracy, which is the cause of the allies and the hope of the small nations which believe, despite everything, in the rule of right. May the new year bring final triumph to those principles and crown with the laurel of victory warriors who are shedding their blood on the altars of a true peace which shall abide."

Should all the greetings of the allied peoples be reproduced they would contain similar sentiments. Now, unless all this is pure bunk, there is a deep felt need for an allied victory. Suppose Belgium's cry was heard. Would her ruined people say "Let's have peace at any price?" Would Serbia, which suffered more than Belgium according to late reports, be willing to leave her persecutors in power?

Would any American, who lost dear ones on the Lusitania say, "Let's stop this side of victory?" Does any true American say, "Let the criminals of central Europe go scot-free? They do not. With all the world, America is saying, "Down with the Kaiser and all his crimes forever!"

THE LEATHER TRUST IS UNDER SUSPICION.

The Federal Trade Commission, if press dispatches are correct, has a watchful eye on the leather manufacturers and is going to undertake to find out why the same old shoes that Mr. Ultimate Consumer once paid \$4.00 for are now passed on to him in exchange for a ten-dollar bill. It is claimed that there is no especial scarcity of leather, and it is admitted that orders are rather plentiful and that conservation has not yet reached the extreme of "shoeless days." It may also be taken for granted that

there is some justice in a moderate advance in the price of shoes, for most everybody knows that aside from the increased cost of labor, the value of the American dollar has dwindled. The yard stick has been made a little longer. Combining all the arguments that are favorable to the manufacturer of leather goods, there is still room to doubt his patriotism. Like the paper manufacturer, the coal baron and other plutocratic plunderers, he had such an itching palm that he couldn't resist the temptation to "get his while the getting was good." He won't land in the penitentiary, for the Federal Trade Commission has never sent any wealthy malefactor there, may, however, have a part of his excess profits lopped off.

DOES THE WORLD STAND IN NEED OF AN ALLIED VICTORY?

Speaking through their officials heads the sentiments of four of the near twenty countries now at war with the central powers would indicate that those countries consider a allied victory necessary for the good of the world.

President Poncaire of France is New Year greetings to American says in part:

"It is the far-off voice of Washington that resounds still, at the threshold of the new year, as in the heroic hours of yore, and the echoes which are repeated throughout the glorious American union. France, too, hears it. The illustrious American statesman shows us the path to triumph through sacrifice and, like his eminent successor, President Wilson seems to say to the nations united to the salvation of humanity: 'Carry on to victory the flag of freedom!'"

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Central National Bank will be held in its banking rooms, Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1918, at 10 o'clock a.m.

T. A. BOWLES, Cashier.

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Decatur Ice and Coal Company will be held at their office in Decatur on January 14, 1918, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

E. H. ALLISON, Secretary.

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WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number Five

Jimmie and a German Boy Clash—Must Do Three Things to Save Country.

It was a warm evening, so Uncle Dan went out to a lawn seat under the spreading branches of the great tree that suggested the farm's name of Oak Hill. Billie and Jimmie had been hunting for him, so Uncle Dan was captured by the boys on short order.

"Say, Uncle Dan," Billie began. "We had a red-hot argument at school yesterday with Carl Newman. Carl said that German schools were miles ahead of our schools and that no one could come up to the educated German. Well, Jimmie got hot under the collar and handed back to him good and plenty. He said if their education taught them to torpedo Latinians, sink hospital ships, murder hundreds of women and children, make slaves of the Belgians, poison wells, destroy fruit trees and commit all sorts of crimes, then we did not want that kind of education here. What do you think about it, Uncle Dan? I told Jimmie you spent a lot of time in Europe and knew all about schools, so give us your opinion."

"Well," replied Uncle Dan, deliberately, "the German schools are very thorough; they furnish exceedingly valuable and practical instruction. The industrial training given there is probably the best to be found. The schools as a whole, however, in my opinion, appeal to the head only, and never to the heart. The aim and trend is to make the individual blindly submissive to the Prussian plan of world dominion; they teach that it is the destiny of Germany to rule the world, and that to the glory and advance of Germany, in this plan, all things must give way; that the Kaiser as head of the state, can do no wrong if he carries forward the plan of world control.

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"Just wait a minute," interrupted Billie. Say that over again slowly, so I can write it down."

Uncle Dan, smilingly, complied.

Billie exclaimed: "Now, we will hand that nut out for Carl to crack. Carl, you know," continued Billie, "has a very smart father who keeps him posted on the German arguments. Carl said our government was not an experiment anyway; that it would not last twenty years, and that it might burst up any old time. Jimmie asked him if Germany was so mighty good, why they did not go back there to live."

"Our government will go on forever, won't it, Uncle Dan?"

"Now," said Uncle Dan, "you are raising a big question, and that has troubled me for years. Our government is still in the experimental stage; in fact, it is the greatest experiment ever undertaken, and if popular government is to be successful, a few things must be done, otherwise, to paraphrase the great Lincoln, the government of the people, by the people and for the people, will perish. It is my firm conviction," said Uncle Dan, in a very impressive manner, "that if our country is to go on, as we hope and pray, we must very quickly do at least three things, and I will name them in the order of importance as it appears to me."

"First, adopt compulsory universal military training of all young men physically fit before they reach the age of twenty years.

"Next, require that every foreigner who comes here to live must, within a reasonable time, say a year, declare his intention of becoming an American citizen and take the necessary steps to do so, thereby, from that moment, assuming all the obligations of citizenship of our country, and that means he must defend our flag upon equal terms with our native born, and if he is not willing to do this, he should be sent back from whence he came."

"That's the stuff," exclaimed Billie. "And, finally, enact such legislation as will make voting compulsory. Popular government is based upon the participation of all and the rule of the majority, and democracy cannot continue and be successful unless we live up to the spirit of the institution."

"The first step, however, is the passing of the Chamberlain bill for universal military training. If you will get the leading citizen, and especially the editor of your paper, to write personal letters to your congressman and both senators, urging their support, it will help enormously.

"I see by the morning papers," said Uncle Dan, "that the Rotary clubs of the entire country, the liveliest, most efficient organization to be found, have unanimously decided to get back the Chamberlain bill and give it loyal and enthusiastic support. They will work with the Universal Military Training league to accomplish this important piece of legislation, which will do more than anything else to make us a real nation with a common viewpoint, bring us back to sane living, and teach us the patriotism of service."

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A postal card from any farmer, widow, boy or girl, any school teacher or playground association, or any person employing a number of people for whom vegetable gardens are desirable, or any citizen of Alabama, stating their needs is all that will be necessary.

It is my hope by this means to distribute my quota of government seed in such a manner as to reach those who really need and will use it.

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STRAYED OR STOLEN—From the Fennel farm, black 12-year-old mare, mule, blind in right eye. Information leading to recovery will be rewarded. Phone 369-3 rings, or write J. L. Long, Trinity, Ala.

LOST—Three ten-dollar bills and two one-dollar bills, folded together. Probably lost at Hartsville, Albany or Decatur. Reward for return to Eminett L. Mizell, 1202 Third avenue, south, Albany.

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Leans and Discounts.....	\$910,322.23
Overdrafts.....	223.99
U. S. Bonds.....	200,000.00
Payments on account of Liberty Loan Bonds.....	15,994.51
Stocks, Bonds and Securities.....	139,015.93
Real Estate Owned.....	6,923.79
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....	16,189.72
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures.....	6,500.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer.....	17,882.00
Customers' Liability for Ac- ceptances.....	11,000.00
Cash and Due from Banks.....	90,000.00
	165,887.75
	1,440,928.99
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CLUB CALENDAR.

Thursday.

Silk Stocking Club—Mrs. T. H. Alexander.

Friday.

Auction Bridge—

Saturday.

Saturday Club—Miss Clarkson.

COMPLIMENT TO

MRS. WARD.

Mrs. Alexander Humphrey complimented Mrs. W. A. Ward, of Kankakee, Ill. A decorative scheme was carried in pink, expressed in carnations and pink-hooded candles. Hand-painted score cards were especially attractive. Four tables were arranged for rook. Mrs. L. C. Mays made top score and the honoree was presented dainty handkerchiefs. A delicious salad course was served. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. C. V. Dupont.

Those playing were Mesdames W. R. Smith, Milton Harvey, E. Calvin, Zeno Bailey, W. E. Steed, W. A. Curry, L. C. Mays, S. M. Thompson, B. Preuit, W. A. Ward, G. McDuff, W. A. Brown, F. A. Bloodworth, F. H. Pointer, L. J. Ramage, Chas. Routree.

DANCE AT COLONIAL CLUB.

The Colonial club was opened by the young men last night and the New Year's dance was the most enjoyable ever attended. Handy's band of Nashville, furnished the music. Courtland, Scottsboro, Athens, Sheffield, Huntsville, and Florence were well represented.

STORY TELLING HOUR.

The story telling hour will be with Miss Kimbrough Thursday. The boat leaves promptly at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Geo. V. Muller is visiting relatives at Birmingham.

Miss Alice Stockton has returned to Marion, Ala., where she is attending school at Judson College, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Stockton, at Curtis Wells.

Miss Bonnie Stockton, teacher at Center Grove, after spending Christmas with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. I. Stockton, at Curtis Wells, has returned to charge of her school.

Mrs. W. L. Gordon, of Chattanooga, has been a visitor to her sister Mrs. J. A. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Slim Ottie and children have returned from Cullman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ottie Myer, of Pine Bluff, spent the holidays in Cullman and Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Held have returned from Cullman, where they spent the holidays.

Miss Bess Finney is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Harry Wyatt.

Miss Marie Kimbrough has returned from Huntsville, where she was the guest of Mrs. Earl Smith.

Miss Ruth Hartung has been for several days suffering a severely sprained ankle.

Miss Georgia Lou Dixon, of Shelbyville, Tenn., is the guest of Miss Ruth Hartung.

Mrs. Vera Austelle and son, Malcolm, have returned from Winchester.

Miss Ada Jones has returned from Jackson, Tenn., and is with Mrs. F. H. Pointer.

Mrs. Wm. McKnight is the expected guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Curry.

Mrs. M. S. Ellis entertained with a 6 o'clock dining on Tuesday for her assembled family.

Mrs. M. A. Dinsmore and children returned to Birmingham on Tuesday after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Brock.

Miss Nell Brock expects to leave for Birmingham on Saturday to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. A. Dinsmore.

WILL ALWAYS TAKE THE DAILY, SAYS MRS. LOCKE.

Albany-Decatur Daily:

You will find enclosed P. O. order for \$3.00, for which renew my subscription for one year to your valuable paper. I feel I could not do without the Daily coming to my home every day. It has so much news to me, as I live in Albany for 23 years, and love the town and its people, and your paper gives me all the latest news and I shall always take the Daily.

Yours truly,
MRS. J. M. LOCKE.
Sheffield, Ala. Jan. 1, 1917.

PERSONALS

W. L. Grubbs, of Ensley, Ala., was here today, returning home at noon.

James Arnold, who visited his daughter, Mrs. Herbert Hughes, went to Sheffield, en route to Franklin, Ky. He was accompanied by Herbert Hughes.

J. L. Brock has returned to Denver.

Hon. A. J. Harris is improving after a continued illness.

J. O. Camp has returned from a business trip to Pulaski.

DEATH.

Died, yesterday morning, the infant son, James Elmer, of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moles.

WHAT ALABAMA BOYS DO

By C. E. Newman,
Assistant Boys' Club Agent,
Auburn, Ala.

Prepared by Extension Service, Auburn, Ala. The interest in club work shown by the boys of Alabama in the past has been highly gratifying to all who are connected with the work. World records have been made by boys of this state and we are justly proud of them.

Corn Club boys have shown to the world that corn can be produced as abundantly and more cheaply in the South than in the regular corn section.

Furthermore they have demonstrated the fact that corn can be produced much more abundantly and more cheaply than we have been accustomed to doing. This is clearly substantiated by the statistics which show that the average yield per acre for a Corn Club boy in Alabama is more than three times the general average for the state, and is produced at less than half the cost per bushel.

This is an important point for us to consider when we think of the shortage in labor, and the urgent need of an increase in food production. The boys are playing a big part in supplying the world with food, and are showing that they are true Americans by the way they have responded to the call in 1917. An army of boys

5,000 strong volunteered for service in the 1917 food army and have done noble work. These young heroes can feel like they have had a definite part in helping "win the war, and we feel like shouting the words in the Boys' Corn Club Song:

"Give honor to the farmer boys
Who join the Corn Club band
They will be the Nation's joy
For each will rule the land:
Then Corn Club songs be singing
When
Up early in the morn
For all the world's depending on
The boys who grow the corn."

The work of the boys is so important that we hope to enlist every boy possible between the ages of ten and eighteen years in the Corn Club. It is a chance for them to show their patriotism; make some money for themselves; and get training that will make them better farmers. The extension service at Auburn is anxious to give every possible assistance in all phases of club work.

KUDZU AS A FORAGE CROP

By D. J. Burleson,
Agronomist for Extension

Prepared by Extension Service, Auburn, Ala.

In the last few years kudzu has come to attract considerable attention as a forage crop under certain conditions. It is a perennial leguminous vine, forming runners 40 to 60 feet long, and taking root at the joints. It is well adapted to hill sides where there are gullies, since the matted growth will hold the washings, thus filling the gullies. It is best adapted to grazing, but it may be cut for hay. In raking the hay the vines become tangled so badly that the fork should be used instead of the hay rake. It is very nutritious both as forage and as hay.

Kudzu is propagated from rooted cuttings which should be set out in late February or in March, setting the vines every 8 or 10 feet in each direction. The first year one row of corn may be grown in each middle.

Narrow-leaf vetch combines well with kudzu, the two giving almost continuous grazing if not grazed too closely.

Our Job Department is equipped to take care of anything you may need in this line. Let us have your order.

Yours truly,
MRS. J. M. LOCKE.
Sheffield, Ala. Jan. 1, 1917.

Soldier Boy Writes Letter of Thanks For Xmas Package

When the Albany Red Cross Christmas packages were sent, by some inadvertence, the name of the girl who sent one of them remained with the package. The gift in due time reached Camp Beauregard, Alexandria, La., and was handed out to a certain soldier by the name of Stephen Latif. Yesterday the young lady in question, who, through modesty refuses to give her name for publication, received the following letter of appreciation from Mr. Latif:

Camp Beauregard
Alexandria, La. 12/25/17.
Miss _____

Red Cross, Albany, Ala.

I will drop you a line this Christmas night, as I am a soldier at Camp Beauregard, La., and we are under quarantine and we did not get to go home for Christmas. We were given presents by the Red Cross. I want to thank your chapter for the great work that has been done for this camp and others that I know. I am a young man, 22 years old. My home is at Crowley, La. My father lives on a large rice farm. I am a farmer also, but I gave up my work on the farm. I thought it was my duty to fight for my country. I remain an unknown soldier boy of Company C, 155th Infantry.

STEPHEN LATIF.

Subscribe for the Daily.

Daily Presented With Service Flag by Miss Bloodworth

Miss Clutie Bloodworth has presented the Daily with a handsome silk service flag, on which appears eight stars, representing the eight former employees of the paper who are now fighting for their country either on land or sea. One of these stars represents Miss Bloodworth's brother, Benjamin Bloodworth, for several years on the editorial staff of the Daily, and one of the brightest young newspaper men in the state. Within a week after war was declared against Germany, Mr. Bloodworth had volunteered his services, enlisting in the navy. He is now petty officer on board the U. S. S. Oleon.

The flag will remain at the Daily office throughout the war, one of its proudest possessions.

You Say You Can't Advertise?

That's what others have said and all of a sudden found some competitor was doing what they thought they couldn't do. And getting away with it. Get the bulge on your competitors by telling your story in an attractive manner so it will be read. You'll get the results.

We Are Anxious to Help

Water Consumers

Don't let the water run. Keep cut off at check and waste. If found running, supply will be cut off without notice.

Alabama Water Co.

Those first calling cards. Every prospective bride takes especial interest in her first calling cards after the "Mrs." is added. Supply your wants by ordering early from the Daily. Many styles and prices to select from.

To Our Friends:

Every resident of Morgan county, who has the best interest of the county at heart should subscribe to the newspaper which is doing the most to bring this section into prominence. Increase in population, more industries, better living conditions for all will mean better market for crops, higher valuation of real estate and better shipping facilities. The Daily is ever at the front when any movement for the betterment of this section is on foot. We are desirous of adding several hundred new names to our subscription list this winter and spring. Will you aid us in this undertaking by handing this copy of the Daily to some friend who is not now taking it? Same will be much appreciated by yours very truly,

ALBANY-DECATUR DAILY

Has Your Boy or Your Neighbor's Boy Been Called To The Colors?

Are they now serving at home or abroad?

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THEATRE

TODAY:

4th number of
**'THE SEVEN
DEADLY SINS'
"SLOTH"**Presenting the well-known
Star, Charlotte Walker.**"Skidding Hearts"**
Keystone Comedy

Coming Thursday

"Shackles of Truth"

A remarkable story, featuring

WILLIAM RUSSELL

Patterson to Speak
At Masonic Tonight

A. G. Patterson will deliver a four-minute speech tonight at the Masonic theatre, prior to the performance, in the interest of war savings stamps and certificates.

ADMINISTRATOR
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.
Charles L. English, Deceased.

Probate Court, Morgan County.

Letters of administration upon the estate of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 21st day of December, 1917, by the Hon. Lovick P. Troup, Judge of the Probate Court of Morgan County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, will be required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or that the same will be barred.

MRS. ANNA E. ENGLISH,
D 24-31 J 7 Administratrix.Big Black Face
Carnival
TO - NIGHT
MASONIC THEATRE
BENEFIT
Home Guards
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Balcony 50 cents
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Gallery 25¢, War Tax, 3—28¢**NEW YORK**
EXCELLENT SERVICE
THROUGH CINCINNATI
TWO NIGHTS AND ONE DAY OUT**COL. HOUSE TELLS
HOW ALLIES CAN
LICK THE KAISER**

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 2.—The United States in effect made reply to the latest German peace program this afternoon.

Secretary of State Lansing made public a summary of the report of Col. E. M. House and the American war mission which has just returned from Europe. The report showed no indication of weakening in the determination of the country to win the war, on the contrary it indicated that the war will be won by the allies as shown how it can be done.

Three very important recommendations were made: That the fighting forces of the United States be dispatched to Europe with the least possible delay incident to training; that the United States exert all its influences to secure entire unity of action—military, naval and economic—between America and her allies; that the United States shipping program be extended.

**Bowery Breadline Goes
Out With Old Year**

New York, Jan. 2.—The famous New York bread-line is gone.

Two institutions—one operated by the Bowery Mission and the other by the Fleischman Baking Company—have been closed by prosperity.

The men who formerly depended almost wholly on the breadline have taken up work deserted by those who shouldered the rifle.

Established nearly forty years ago New York's breadlines have fed an saved countless thousands.

Men have emerged from the line to meet success. Some have climbed to the highest pinnacles of fame and business. Others have ended their more dismal careers in Sing Sing or the Potter's field.

Bowery habits looked askance at the breadline when first established. It had a religious atmosphere. But its fundamental principle—succor soon was established and the breadline grew to thousands.

The line dwindled when an eccentric millionaire tramp established the Hotel de Kink. There food and lodging was provided without cost. That place was closed two years ago and the breadline again grew.

Meanwhile war depleted laboring forces. Work was more plentiful and the men of the breadline proved they would work if work was to be had.

Many were broken in health, but the jobs were varied. There was employment for all. And so it comes about that one of the most famous institutions ever established in New York City, the breadline, simply expires for want of patronage.

WHY JENNIE HATES FLOWERS

They Mean to Her the Very Opposite of Green Fields, Pleasant Odors, Birds and Bees.

"I hate flowers," said Jennie, a little Italian girl of 9, as she bent over the pile of white daisy petals on the kitchen table. She was busily picking up the "peps," first dipping each stem in paste smeared on a piece of board, slipping a petal up each stem and inserting it in one of the green tubes on the wreath.

Flowers to her did not spell green fields, pleasant odors or something soft and agreeable to feel and handle. To this little girl living in the crowded Italian district on the lower west side of New York city, flowers meant piles of hideously colored petals of cambric stiff with starch and dye and smelling strongly of alcohol, glue and paste. These she had to fetch from the factory every day after school. Before school the next morning the family had to "manufacture" them into flowers.

Everyone worked, all except the father, who declared that it was not "a man's work," and an older son, who was driver on a wagon truck. Even the baby, 18 months old, could help by picking apart the petals. Maggie, 4 years old, was too young to go to school, but she could work the greater part of the day. Nardo, aged 6, was an expert hand, although his mother complained that he wanted to play. Besides Jennie there was Little Angelina, a hunchback of 11 years, who was really the forewoman of the group, seeing to it that each day's quota was faithfully done.

The account-book showed that six dozens of wreaths, with 39 flowers, were finished every night. The buttercup wreaths brought 8 cents a dozen and the daisies 10 cents. For this work the family received \$2.88 or \$3.60 a week, according to whether they worked on buttercups or daisies. Louise C. Odencrantz, in World Outlook,

MAJORITY OF US ARE BORES

Many People Give Preference to Discussion of Own Affairs Rather Than to Other Fellow's.

The Irish World gives the first test of a bore, presumably for readers to try on themselves, in these words:

Do you monopolize the conversation wherever you go with breathless accounts of your own affairs?

If let alone long enough the majority of us do. Our own affairs are so much more interesting than the other person's. It takes some wisdom and considerable culture to subordinate the self to one side. It should not be expected of him.

Under this definition, the baby is sometimes a bore, but we forgive him for we know that he has neither the wisdom nor the culture to set his little self to one side. It should not be expected of him.

But there is about the baby none of the subtle deceitfulness of the old, practiced bore who deftly turns the conversation to his own exploits and affairs. Baby simply takes of the muffer from his personal self. The entire household's attention turns at once to his affairs. He monopolizes the conversation with his breathless account of his hunger or of his connection with the open safety pin—and that is all there is to it.

The growing child frankly finds himself the most interesting person in the world, and we forgive him to some extent and attempt to show him that he must conceal his personal liking for himself. Some of us may recall the story of the little boy who had been a delighted listener while his mother (a real bore) told the neighbors of his cute little manners and ways. When she branched off to some other subject, the little boy listened a while in manifest uneasiness till the conversation lagged the merest trifle. Then he broke in with his perfectly natural request:

"Say, ma, let's talk some more about me."

LAUGHED TO SEE GOLD TEETH

Tartars indulged in Peculiar Antics to Induce Artist to Display His Decorated Grinders.

The artist who accompanied George Kennan through Russia tells an amusing story about an encounter with a party of tourists, who seemed very curious about the artist's pictures. As the Tartars were armed to the teeth the artist thought it best to be amiable and suited a broad and propitiatory smile upon the party. Whereupon the entire party smiled broadly in return and showed great interest in him. He smiled again, more broadly still; whereupon the Tartars came around in front of him and began to go through the most extraordinary antics, laughing still.

The artist gathered somehow that he was expected to laugh, too, and proceeded to gratify their evident wish. The more he laughed the more they laughed, and several big Tartars came around in front of him and lay down on the ground, rolling and tumbling. The artist laughed until his jaws almost cracked. The thing finally became a little alarming, and calling his factotum and interpreter, the artist bade him find out of the head man of the Tartar party what these extraordinary antics were all about.

"His excellency," said the Tartar, in explanation, "smiled upon us, and showed us something which we never saw before—teeth made partly of gold. And as the men of my tribe saw that his golden teeth were only to be seen when he laughed, they took all possible ways to make him laugh, and when they rolled on the ground before him, it was only the better to see into his mouth and behold the golden teeth."

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Capturing Gorillas.

It is said that no gorilla has ever been captured alive after he is full grown. Gorillas fear nothing. Even when mortally wounded they show an agility, strength and ferocity which is astonishing. A traveler stated that it would take 150 men to hold down a gorilla with any degree of safety. On the other hand, all other apes are easy to capture. The usual method is for a trapper to seat himself where he is certain to be observed by these creatures and pretend to drink from a bottle of crude spirits. When he is sure that he has been observed, he leaves the bottle and goes away. The moment his back is turned the monkeys rush to appear their curiosity concerning the contents of the bottle. They like the taste of the spirits and quarrel among themselves for it till the bottle has been emptied. They are soon overcome by the intoxicant, and the trapper returns and gathers them up.

Our Other Selves.

The old Hebrew sage declared, "Wisdom cometh from the opportunity of leisure." It does not mean that a wise man must belong to what we call the leisure classes. It means that if one has only a little free time at his disposal, he must use that time for the refreshment of his hidden selves, says S. M. Crothers in the Atlantic. If he cannot have a sabbath rest of twenty-four hours, he must learn to sanctify little sabbaths, it may be of ten minutes' length. In them he shall do no manner of work. It is not enough that the self that works and receives wages shall be recognized and protected; the world must be made safe for our other selves. Does not the Declaration of Independence say that every man has an inalienable right to the pursuit of happiness?

SPECIAL TRAIN TO CARRY

MACON MEN TO TEXAS.

Camp Wheeler, Macon, Ga., Jan. 2. Three hundred enlisted men of the 31st division, who have been selected for the third officers' training school, will leave here for Leon Springs, Tex., on a special train in a few days.

**SEIBERT AND MANN
ARE SENT HOME
AND PROMOTED****AMERICAN GENERALS ON FRENCH
FRONT TO ACT AS INSTRUCTORS.**

(International News Service.)

Washington, Jan. 2.—Maj. Gen. Mann, first commander of the Rainbow Division of the national guard now in France, was today ordered to assume command of the eastern department with headquarters at Governor's Island.

Maj. Gen. W. J. Seibert, who commanded the first division of Gen. Pershing's army, will be as commander of the southeastern department with headquarters at Charleston, S. C. Gen. Mann and Seibert reached New York from France yesterday.

An Atlantic Port, Jan. 2.—Major Generals George A. Mann, William L. Seibert and Richard M. Blatchford, who have been with the American expeditionary forces in France, arrived here today on a French steamship. It is understood the officers have been ordered home to assist in the training of the American forces now being made ready for overseas duty.

General Mann, who left here in command of the "Rainbow" division, made up of troops from practically every state of the union, said the men are now comfortably billeted and are making satisfactory progress in the intensive training they are undergoing preparatory to being called upon for action against the Germans. They are in excellent health, he said, adding that through him the entire command sent home a hearty New Year's greeting to their homeland and the American people.

Costumes worn by the chorus will be of the latest expression in a world of fashion. They were designed by Helen Dryden, the artist who designs

AMUSEMENTS**THE LULU GIRL SHOW AT
MASONIC SATURDAY NIGHT.**

Manager Arthur Russell has engaged especially selected a company of well known actors, singers and dancers, to present "Honolulu Lou" character comedy part of Pincus Sharpe, divorced lawyer and theatrical manager, has been assigned to the clever young comedian, Eddie Pierce, while the leading juvenile engaged to play the part of "Honolulu Lou" is in the hands of Miss Emilie Jehle.

Another leading part of Vera Bright, stenographer of Pincus Sharpe, is in the hands of Miss Loretta Elgin, a large chorus of pretty girls having been assembled and assisted by a quartette of Hawaiian ukulele players. Laughter follows the witty lines and comical situations, while there is a constant interesting story and a novelty of situations.

"Honolulu Lou" will be seen at the Masonic theatre Saturday, Jan. 5, and has all the elements of a big opera success. The scenery is colored by the beauty of Hawaii, and its music is pleasing, tuneful and catchy. Its book has wit and abounds in laugh provoking situations, and its cast is made up of artists carefully selected, to give the best expression to the music, words and situations of the brilliant new production. Ben M. Jerome has written the music and score; Chas. S. Adelman has collaborated with this famous composer in producing this novel and entertaining production. The music has in certain of its numbers the weird beauty of Hawaii. Among the sing numbers are "I'll Be Your Little War Bride," "A Lady Friend of Mine," "There's a Mortgage on the Old Home," "I Must Love Someone," "Say Hawaii to Me," "All Aboard for Fairyland," "Save Up Your Kisses for a Rainy Day," "My Little Queen," "Prettiest Flower of All," "The God Ship Married Life," "Carmen," "I'll Fight."

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covers for Vogue.

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DELITE AND STAR THURSDAY.
William Russell, the athletic star of a new Mutual-American feature production, "Shackles of Truth," gives a most thrilling exhibition of his boxing skill in the fight scene with Alfred Vosburgh, knocking his opponent out with a ripping uppercut that makes spectators gasp.

Mr. Russell's new play is one of the best in which he has ever appeared for the screen. It is a story of conflict between love and filial duty that affords the versatile young actor splendid opportunities for the display of his varied talents, all of which he accepts.

"Shackles of Truth" was written for Mr. Russell by Julius Grinnell Furthmann, one of the best known writers of motion picture drama. The play was directed by Edward Sioman, who has directed many of the Russell successes.

"Shackles of Truth" reveals Mr. Russell in the role of a young lawyer with a treacherous partner who tries to rob him of his sweetheart and blast his political future by taking advantage of a family secret which he threatens to reveal. The great fight takes place in the library of Gerard Hale's home when Luther Snaith, the plotter, stands at last revealed.

That Russell-Vosburgh fight bids fair to become one of the classics of the screen, for it is certainly a thriller.

**HAVE YOU THE NEW
AILMENT, KNITTING NERVES."**
(International News Service.)

New York, Jan. 2.—"Knitting nerves" is the latest ailment developed by New York women. Men are not susceptible.

"Don't hunch over your knitting," advises a prominent New York physician who is treating many "knitting nerves" cases. "Sit upright and when your mind tells you you have knitted enough—quit. There are 365 days in the year and you cannot finish a sweater in a day, no matter how much you love a soldier or a sailor."

Statement of the Condition of**The Central National Bank**

Albany, Alabama

At the close of business, December 31st, 1917.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts ... \$176,487.81

Trade Acceptances-Cotton 497,001.78

Customer's Liability

Acceptances 50,000.00

Overdrafts 34.09

Liberty Loan Bonds 23,072.00

U. S. Bonds 75,000.00

Stocks and Bonds 4,106.15

Stock in Federal Reserve